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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 16 AUGUST 1993	BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 16 AUGUST 1993		
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REFNO: 1153 (ACCNO 0093) Status: (8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED Date Status assigned: 25 Jul 1978	REFNO: 1153 (ACCNO 0299) Status: (8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED Name: WHITMIRE, WARREN TAYLOR JR Date Status assigned: 30 May 1978		
Nationality AMERICAN Service ARMY Grade E7 SSAN Serial No Serial N	Nationality AMERICAN Service ARMY Grade W1 SSAN Serial No Birth date Home State VIRGINIA Race CAUCASIAN Sex MALE Blood Chit \$ Blood Chit \$ Blood type A # Complexion FAIR Weapon # Weapon No # Weight 190 lb / 86.1 kg Religion PROTESTANT Blood Chit \$ Blood type A # Complexion FAIR Weapon No # Duty pos PILOT PW Camp \$		
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INCIDENT LOCATION (0)	INCIDENT LOCATION (0)		
Site Type: CRASH SITE UTM: 48QYD233082 Lat/Long: 162045N / 1070526E Country: SOUTH VIETNAM Military Region: 1 Mission Province: THUA THIEN-HUE	Site Type: CRASH SITE UTM: 48QYD233082 Lat/Long: 162045N / 1070526E Country: SOUTH VIETNAM Military Region: 1 Mission Province: THUA THIEN-HUE (formerly): THUA THIEN Mission District: A LUOI Mission Date: 1 May 1968 Mission Category: 2 Local Analysis: Near populated area.		
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Vehicle Type: OH6A
Crash Type: Enemy action
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REFNO: 1153 (A	ACCNO 0173)) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVER s assigned: 19 Jun 1978
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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

26 August 1975

ON 1 MAY 1968 WO1 WARREN T. WHITMIRE JR., PILOT, SP5 DONALD P.

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2 April 1992

CASE NARRATIVE PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE DURING THE 30 MARCH 1992 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

26 August 1975

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DATA. (REF 2)

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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 5 OCTOBER 1993

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REFNO: 1153-0-01 (ACCNO 0093) Name: GERVAIS, DONALD PETER Status: (8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED Date Status assigned: 25 Jul 1978				
Nationality AMERICAN Service ARMY Grade E7 SSAN Serial No Birth date 20 Jul 1943 Home State LOUISIANA Race CAUCASIAN Sex MALE Hair BROWN Eyes BROWN Height 71 in /1.80 mtrs Weight 195 lb / 88.3 kg Religion CATHOLIC Blood Chit \$ Blood Chit \$ Blood type 0 # Complexion FAIR Weapon Weapon No Duty pos GUNNER PW Camp \$				
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Survivability: (3) Unknown ==================================				
Vehicle Type: OH6A Serial: 7810 Crash Type: Enemy action Engine Type: T63A5A Call Sign: 0 1 Serial: Year: 66 2 Serial:				
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REFNO: 1153-0-02 (ACCNO Name: WHITMIRE, WARREN	0299) FAYLOR JR	Status: (8) DEAL Date Status assi	BODY NOT RECOVERED igned: 30 May 1978		
Nationality AMERICAN Service ARMY Grade W1 SSAN Serial No Birth date 2 Dec 1945 Home State VIRGINIA	Race CAUCASIAN Sex MALE Hair BROWN Eyes BLUE Height 71 in /1.80 Weight 190 lb / 80 Religion PROTESTA	5.1 kg Duty pos	ype A # lon FAIR # No # s PILOT		
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4 October 1993

DURING THE SEVENTH ITERATION (31 JUL - 19 AUG 1989), THE FIELD TEAM RECEIVED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION POSSIBLY CORRELATING TO THE REFNO 1153 INCIDENT. ON 5 AUGUST, A FORMER NLF OFFICER RECOUNTED THAT IN 1969, HE HEARD A REPORT OF A HELICOPTER SHOT DOWN IN HIS AREA. ON 10 AUGUST, HE POINTED OUT THE AREA WHERE THE HELICOPTER CRASHED (WITHIN YD 2808). THE LOCATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS POSSIBLY CORRELATE TO REFNO 1153. (REF

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BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 24 AUGUST 1993

(ACCNO 6281) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED REFNO: 1155 Name: MCKAIN, BOBBY LYN Date Status assigned: 12 Jul 1968 Nationality AMERICAN CAUCASIAN Race Blood Chit \$ MALE ARMY Sex |Blood type ## Service BROWN Complexion Hair Grade W2 DATA Eyes BROWN Weapon SSAN - DATA Height 69 in /1.75 mtrs Weapon No Serial No Weight 167 lb / 75.7 kg Birth date Duty pos PILOT DATA Religion PROTESTANT Home State KANSAS PW Camp INCIDENT LOCATION (0) Site Type: CRASH SITE 48QXD722388 UTM: 163736N / 1063655E Lat/Long: SOUTH VIETNAM Country: Military Region: QUANG TRI Mission Province: (formerly): Mission District: HUONG HOA Mission Date: 3 May 1968 Mission Category: Local Analysis: Near populated area. Folders Passed: Jan 89 Investigations: Jun 93 Surveys: Nov 89, Jun 93 Vessey Case: NO Case type: CRASH SITE Survivability: (5) In the aircraft at the time of the crash Serial: 15332 Vehicle Type: AH1G Crash Type: Enemy action Engine Type: T53 1 Serial: Call Sign: \$ Year: 66 2 Serial:

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